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First Named Inventor: Yuji Horie, et al.

**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.55)**

(Regular application claiming priority of a foreign application)

Mail Stop: Patent Application  
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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.55 in the name of inventors:

**Yuji Horie, Hiromitsu Okuyama and Kazuei Yamaguchi**

For: **POLISHING CLOTH AND METHOD OF PRODUCING SAME**

Assigned to: **Nihon Microcoating Co., Ltd.**

**Priority of prior Japan Application No. 2003-270047 filed on July 1, 2003 and Japan Application No. 2002-313470 filed on September 24, 2002 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 1.55.**

Application Elements:

- 9 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- 2 Sheets of informal Drawings
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

Accompanying Application Parts:

- Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- Separate Power of Attorney by Assignee
- 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
  - Copies of IDS Citations
- Preliminary Amendment
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Claim For Foreign Priority

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The certified copies are enclosed.  The certified copies will follow.

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

	(Col. 1) Total Claims		(Col. 2) Claims	(Col. 3) Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	9	MINUS	20	= 0	x 18 =	0.00
INDEP.	2	MINUS	3	= 0	x 84 =	0.00
	[ ] First presentation of multiple dependent claim				\$280 =	
	Basic Filing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a)				\$750 =	750.00
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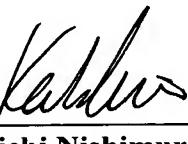
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General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

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